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In conformity with the decree of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet USSR of 16 February 1951 concerning the division of the Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry USSR into two ministries, the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet Kirgiz SSR on 11 May 1951 decreed the conversion of the Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry Kirgiz SSR into the Ministry of Timber Industry Kirgiz SSR. (1)

The diesel ship Bodryy has arrived in Baku from Astrakhan' with the first "cigar" rafts of the current navigation season. The logs, felled in the forests adjoining the Kama River, are intended for the construction of Mingeaur GES.

Caspian sailors will deliver considerably more rafts to Baku in this navigation season than last year.(2)

The builders of the giant Volga projects received 560,000 cubic meters of Ural timber last year. During the current navigation season, they will receive twice that amount of timber from the Kama basin.

In recent days, a raft containing 26,000 cubic meters of timber, drawn by the steamer Boris Yeryashev, arrived at the Stalingrad GES. (3)

The steamer Kirov has arrived in Stalingrad from Koz'modem'yansk, Mari ASSR, with an enormous raft carrying 42,000 cubic meters of timber for the Volga-Don Canal. Additional caravans of rafts with 22,000 and 26,000 cubic meters of timber are on their way to Stalingrad.(4)

On 16 May, Sarapul' Roadstead of Kamlesosplav (Kama Timber Floating) Trust dispatched a caravan of 35 "cigar" rafts, on which 22,000 cubic meters of timber had been loaded, for the construction of the Main Turkmen Canal. The caravan will travel thousands of kilometers along the Kama, Volga, and Caspian to Krasnovodsk. The steamer Avrora, commanded by Captain Nifontov, is leading the caravan. The captain and personnel accompanying the raft caravan have pledged to reach Astrakhan' 2 days ahead of schedule.(5)

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Paper Industry

The workers of the Kondopoga Paper Combine imeni S. M. Kirov have pledged to meet the 1951 paper-production plan by 25 December, to produce 100 tons of newsprint above plan, not less than 90 percent of which is to be first-grade paper, and to cut production costs by one million rubles.(6)

The workers of the Kama Cellulose-Paper Combine of the Ministry of Paper and Woodworking Industry have pledged to produce 4,600 tons of paper in excess of plan in 1951 and to cut production costs by at least 13 million rubles as compared with 1950.(7)

During the postwar Five-Year Plan, the Kama Cellulose-Paper Combine produced in excess of plan 34,000 tons of paper, 46,000 tons of cellulose, 22 million notebooks, and 775,000 dekaliters of alcohol. In 1951, the combine's workers have promised to produce 4,600 tons of paper, 20,000 dekaliters of alcohol, and 2,500,000 students' notebooks in excess of plan.(8)

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